

From 1977 until her retirement this year, Barbara Serena served as a public health administrator with the Dickinson-Iron District Health Department in Stambaugh, Michigan. From August 1995 to August 1996, she was the Department's Acting Health Officer. In September 1996 she was named the Department's Health Officer, serving in that capacity until 2002.

Barbara's return to the Upper Peninsula was fortunate for her community and also for Terry Shea, whom she met in 1980 in a crowded restaurant when a friend asked Terry if Barbara could join him at his table. Terry was at that time working TED KENNEDY's presidential campaign in what was then the 11th Congressional District of Michigan.

Throughout Terry and Barbara's long and happy marriage, they have both continued to work in their faith community for families and for the betterment of their community as a whole. It is fair to say that for Barbara, retirement will be as busy as her life has been so far, although both Terry and Barbara hope to have more time for travel. They will intend to remain actively involved in the community and faith based volunteerism that has been a hallmark of their lives.

When I asked Terry what was the most significant thing people in the area think of when they think of Barbara, he said "Her work." That is a lasting legacy, and one that is far from completed.

I congratulate Barbara on her many years of service in public health and wish her well in her retirement. The strength of my northern district is built on the daily efforts of people like Barbara, even though she stands in a special category. I ask you, Mr. Speaker, and my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in this special tribute to a very special woman.

HONORING A. LANCE EMORY

HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a public servant who has given a great deal not only to his home state of North Carolina, but to his country as a whole.

Since 1969, Mr. A. Lance Emory has been a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). In August, Mr. Lance will retire from the FBI.

He leaves behind a legacy of great achievements and his departure will create quite a void in our nation's highly revered investigative bureau.

A. Lance Emory was born on June 6, 1946 in Greensboro, North Carolina. He graduated from the University of Miami in 1968 with a bachelor's degree in education. He completed his graduate studies in business at Iona College in New Rochelle, New York.

Beginning his career as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in December 1969, his first assignment was the Springfield office in Illinois where he investigated general criminal matters. Just two years later he was transferred to New York City. Mr. Emory spent six busy years investigating organized crime and drug matters in the FBI office in New York.

In 1977, Mr. Emory was transferred back home to the Tarheel state where he joined the Charlotte office. While in Charlotte, he continued investigating organized crime/drug matters and gained extensive experience in the use of undercover techniques.

In 1983, Mr. Emory received the United States Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service for his investigative accomplishments.

In 1985, as a Supervisory Special Agent, Mr. Emory oversaw the Organized Crime, Drug, Interstate Theft and Government Crime programs. He is recognized as a subject matter expert in the organized crime/drug arena and has represented the FBI in numerous forums.

A short tour in the Legal Attache's office in Canberra, Australia followed . . . and that time abroad would lead to an international assignment for Mr. Emory.

In June 1995, Mr. Emory began his assignment as the Assistant Legal Attache in London. His primary responsibilities were for FBI operations in the Nordic countries.

In August 1999, Mr. Emory assumed his present position as Legal Attache London.

When not travelling the world as a world class FBI associate, Mr. Emory tries to find time to work on his golf game as so many North Carolinians do. When not on the links, he spends as much time as he can with his lovely wife, the former Susan Lierk of Alliance, Nebraska.

It is with a sincere heart that I rise today to thank Mr. Emory for his great service for our nation.

Lance Emory, I salute you for your dedication to your country and to the FBI. May God bless you and your wife as you begin your next adventure together. May you wake each morning and enjoy the immense amount of time you now have together . . . and may this new journey be just as exhilarating.

Thank you, Lance Emory. From all of us.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM KOLBE

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, I was at a meeting with President Bush at the White House and missed the vote on H. Res. 319, on Ordering the Previous Question providing for consideration of the bill H.R. 2691, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

TIME FOR THE OLIVE BRANCH TO TAKE ROOT

HON. JESSE L. JACKSON, JR.

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as a passionate proponent of achieving a just, lasting and comprehensive peace in the Middle East.

For too long, the Holy Land has been soaked in blood and scorched by hate. In the last 31 months alone, the devastating conflict between the Israelis and the Palestinians has claimed more than 2,700 lives and has shattered countless others.

With so much lost life, it is time to find peace. It is time to turn from old ways and to "beat their swords into ploughshares." It is time for the olive branch to take root.

Thus, I strongly support the so-called "road map," the Mideast peace plan carefully devised by the United States, European Union, United Nations and Russia and firmly backed by President Bush. Representing precious hope for an end to the violence and a final settlement, the road map envisions two states—one for the Israelis and the other for the Palestinians—living side-by-side, both sovereign, secure, free and democratic.

Under the terms and conditions of the road map, the United States rightly assumes its central role of helping to lead the parties along the path to peace. As an honest and balanced broker and mediator between the two sides, the United States must help both to reconcile differences, to accept obligations, and to take the simultaneous steps for progress and peace.

Undoubtedly, the success of the performance-based road map will require the active leadership and involvement of the United States. It will demand the commitment and courage of the Israelis and the Palestinians. It finally will come when each side gives to the other what it wants for itself.

But, since the publication and formal delivery of the road map, the enemies of peace have attempted to derail it. By launching brutal terrorist attacks against Israelis, they attempt to kill not only innocent civilians but also a diplomatic settlement. These saboteurs intend to undermine the Palestinian Authority, to terrorize the Israeli population, and to perpetuate violence and hate. We must not allow them to succeed in putting roadblocks in the road map.

To remove the obstacles and promote the peace, Congress should give its unqualified and unambiguous approval of the road map. Time is too short and the stakes too high for us not to. Failing now to explicitly endorse the international peace plan risks compromising our interests, rallying the recalcitrant and forestalling a new future in the Middle East.

Hence, the resolution before us rightly commends the President for his vision and commitment to a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian dispute. However, it should be even more specific. The resolution ought to expressly support the road map itself and the ongoing efforts within the international community to implement it.

House Resolution 294 correctly insists that the Palestinians must fulfill their primary obligation to crack down on terrorism and violence against the Israelis. Yet, the resolution should be more comprehensive and balanced. It also ought to call on the Israelis to meet their responsibilities under the road map to dismantle illegal outposts and freeze settlements.

The measure properly recognizes and respects Israel's right to defend and protect its citizens against terror. But, H. Res. 294 should be even more insightful. It ought to acknowledge that the security for which Israel longs and surely deserves will be achieved, not by

military reprisals alone, but rather with the active and full cooperation of the Palestinians. As stated in a recent New York Times editorial, "Nobody expects Israel to tolerate terror against its people. But terror can be more effectively rooted out if responsible Palestinian leaders like Mr. Abbas are strengthened, not undermined."

Hence, although not perfect, this resolution is an improvement from others on the Middle East. Unlike previous measures, it does not interfere, impede nor conflict with the ongoing peace effort. In fact, it is, for the most part, consistent with it. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I support this resolution as a means of endorsing the road map and promoting the peace.

HONORING KEY TRAINING CENTER

HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Key Training Center, a vital, active part of the Citrus County community in my Fifth Congressional District of Florida.

This weekend, the Key Center will hold its 21st annual "Run for the Money" Dinner Auction to raise money for the Center, which operates as a not-for-profit organization and relies heavily on donations of support from the community.

The Key Center provides an immeasurable service to the community and makes an enormous difference in the lives of so many people.

The Center has helped thousands of mentally-disabled central Floridians and their families for more than 30 years, and has established a proud tradition of kindness, love, dignity, and respect while doing so.

The Key Center provides daily living and social training for its clients, job training, life sustaining care and residential services to mentally-disabled persons in need. A dedicated, trained, and skilled staff serves those at the Key Center offering a balanced blend of the right training, experiences and opportunities to its clients.

Mr. Speaker I ask you and my Colleagues in this body to join me in honoring the Key Center for all its contributions and in wishing the Center well this weekend.

CLARIFICATION OF VOTE

HON. CHARLES W. "CHIP" PICKERING

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Mr. PICKERING. Mr. Speaker, during the debate on the Labor and Health and Human Services Appropriations Bill (H.R. 2660) I erroneously voted against the Toomey Amendment. I was under the impression the bill restricted general funding for the National Institutes of Health which provides needed funds for medical research in my district. I would have voted for the amendment and fully support the efforts to stop the NIH from funding the highly inappropriate programs itemized in the amendment.

WHERE IS THE OUTRAGE OVER DIRTY TRICKS?

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, this morning's media lavishly covered Prime Minister Blair's speech to us last night. It was an important event and I will have more to say about that next week. But I want to call my colleagues attention to another news item that I found shocking. Unfortunately it was buried in the "Reliable Source" gossip column of the "Style Section" in today's Washington Post. It reported a White House effort to smear a journalist, an effort that I found desperate and pathetic but, most of all, outrageous.

It seems the Bush Administration was so unnerved by a TV network news segment on rapidly rising GI frustration in Iraq—and one soldier's calling on camera for Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld's resignation—that they decided to "shoot the messenger." Reportedly, an anonymous White House operative tipped internet columnist Matt Drudge that the TV reporter on the news story was not only gay but also, far worse, "a Canadian."

Does the Watergate phrase "dirty tricks" ring a bell? Or has that been banished from the political lexicon like the "L word?"

There's an old saying: "If you're not outraged, you don't understand the situation." I want to know where the outrage is about this despicable tactic. Where are the outraged editorials and columns? Why wasn't this a front page story? Even if it was a scoop for the "Reliable Source," why wasn't there a separate news story about it? Where were the interviews of outraged media pundits on this morning's TV news shows? Where is the outrage from ACLU? And I hope there will be further comments on this by other outraged Members of Congress from both sides of the aisle.

The leak to Drudge may indicate how nervous the White House is about their unraveling post-war plan and its tragic consequences for our soldiers. Indeed, if this is the only way they can respond to reporting on the Administration's mess in Iraq, things must be pretty desperate.

It also indicates the kind of supporters whom the White House thinks will judge its policy on the basis of the nationality and orientation of those reporting on Iraq for U.S. media. The fact that most Americans will regard both factors as silly and irrelevant is beside the point. The malicious intent is clear.

This kind of dirty trick must be labelled for what it is, and stopped in its tracks, or we will see similar sleaze seeping out of this White House whenever it feels politically threatened. If the media brushes this off as just one more skirmish with critical press, then both they and the American people will surely be the losers.

HONORING JAMES WILSON JACKSON AND HARRY BELLE FULLMORE ON THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 50th wedding anniversary of James Wilson Jackson and Harry Belle Fullmore, better known as Honey.

James, a lieutenant in the United States Army was stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas where he met Honey. And, like her name, Honey was the belle of Texas and James was swept off his feet. After numerous Sunday dinners prepared by Jesse Cook, Honey's mother and James' future mother-in-law, James proposed to Honey and the two married on August 14, 1953.

They had four children: James Wilson Jackson, Jr., Suzan Elizabeth Jackson, Barbara Ann Jackson and Michelle Jackson.

Having chosen a military career, James and Honey traveled throughout the world including the Orient, Europe and from coast to coast in the United States. Everywhere they settled, they developed a host of friends.

Upon retiring from the military, James and Honey chose Cleveland, Ohio as their new home. Since moving to Cleveland in 1970, they have dedicated themselves to contributing to their community and society at large. James chose the civic route, volunteering to serve on various Boards and Commissions. Honey chose to make her contributions more economic in nature, supporting upscale and specialty boutiques from coast to coast.

During the 50 years of their marriage, James and Honey have been faced with many obstacles and hurdles, but working together, they have persevered. I am honored to commend James and Honey Jackson on their Golden Anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN MARK E. KENNEY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2003

Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I pay tribute today to a dedicated public servant who has served the city of Springfield and the greater community for over 20 years. His leadership and courage have touched many lives and it is my great honor to recognize and commemorate this extraordinary man.

Captain Mark Kenney began his career in the Springfield Police Department in July of 1971. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1979, to Lieutenant in 1987 and to Captain in 1991. During his career his assignments and duties stretched far into the heart of the district. Mark was the first captain of the community police program and started the citizens police academy. This academy was created to teach the public the mechanics of the police department and then use this information to better the community.

Mark was deeply involved with many youth organizations and was the first captain of the